

Docket No. RDID01046US

Declaration and Power of Attorney For Patent Application

English Language Declaration

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name,

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

**METHOD FOR PREPARING ENDOTOXIN-FREE NUCLEIC ACIDS OR NUCLEIC ACIDS WITH
REDUCED ENDOTOXIN CONTENT AND THE USE THEREOF**

the specification of which

(check one)

is attached hereto.

was filed on _____ as United States Application No. or PCT International Application Number _____

and was amended on _____
(if applicable)

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the United States Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, Section 119(a)-(d) or Section 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or Section 365(a) of any PCT International application which designated at least one country other than the United States, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate or PCT International application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

Prior Foreign Application(s)

Priority Not Claimed

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(Number) 199 03 507.5	(Country) Germany	(Day/Month/Year Filed) 29 January 1999	<input type="checkbox"/>
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I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. Section 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

(Application Serial No.)

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I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U. S. C. Section 120 of any United States application(s), or Section 365(c) of any PCT International application designating the United States, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT International application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. Section 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the United States Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, C. F. R., Section 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT International filing date of this application:

(Application Serial No.)

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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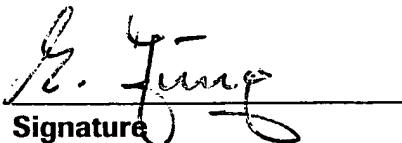
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Signed this 11th day of April, 2001 at Mannheim, Germany.

Roche Diagnostics GmbH


Signature

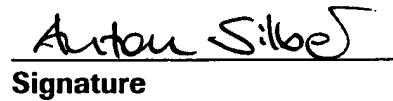
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**TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE
UNITED STATES RECEIVING OFFICE**

Date	26 July 2001
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Attorney Docket No.	RDID01046US

I. Certification under 37 CFR 1.10 (if applicable)

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26 July 2001
Date of Deposit

I hereby certify that the application/correspondence attached hereto is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.


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II. New International Application

TITLE		Earliest priority date (Day/Month/Year)

SCREENING DISCLOSURE INFORMATION: In order to assist in screening the accompanying international application for purposes of determining whether a license for foreign transmittal should and could be granted and for other purposes, the following information is supplied. (Note: check as many boxes as apply):

- A. The invention disclosed was **not** made in the United States.
- B. There is no prior U.S. application relating to this invention.
- C. The following prior U.S. application(s) contain subject matter which is related to the invention disclosed in the attached international application. (*NOTE: priority to these applications may or may not be claimed on form PCT/RO/101 (Request) and this listing does not constitute a claim for priority.*)

application no.		filed on	
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D. <input type="checkbox"/>	The present international application <input type="checkbox"/> is identical <input type="checkbox"/> contains less subject matter than that found in the prior U.S. application(s) identified in paragraph C.		
E. <input type="checkbox"/>	The present international application <input type="checkbox"/> contains additional subject matter not found in the prior U.S. application(s) identified in paragraph C. above. The additional subject matter is found on pages <input type="checkbox"/> and <input type="checkbox"/> DOES NOT ALTER <input type="checkbox"/> MIGHT BE CONSIDERED TO ALTER the general nature of the invention in a manner which would require the U.S. application to have been made available for inspection by the appropriate defense agencies under 35 U.S.C. 181 and 37 CFR 5.1. See 37 CFR 5.15		

III. A Response to an Invitation from the RO/US. The following document(s) is (are) enclosed:

- A. A Request for An Extension of Time to File a Response
- B. A Power of Attorney (General or Regular)
- C. Replacement pages:

pages	of the request (PCT/RO/101)	pages		of the figures
pages	of the description	pages		of the abstract
pages	of the claims			

- D. Submission of Priority Documents

Priority document		Priority document	
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- E. Fees as specified on attached Fee Calculation sheet form PCT/RO/101 annex

IV. A Request for Rectification under PCT 91 A Petition A Sequence Listing Diskette

V. Other (please specify): Transmittal Letter to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) Concerning a Filing Under 35 U.S.C. 371

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